## RESOLUTION NO. 2014329

RE: REQUESTING HOME RULE LEGISLATION IN THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE TO REPEAL THE MTA SUPPLEMENTAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEE AND OTHER ASSOCIATED FEES

Legislators BORCHERT, FLESLAND, BOLNER, KELSEY, SURMAN, ROMAN, WEISS, MacAVERY, JOHNSON, and INCORONATO offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, Dutchess County was designated by state statute to be part of the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District, which funds and provides for mass transportation services in the New York City metropolitan region through the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA); and

WHEREAS, this tax was part of a comprehensive budget package intended to bail out the MTA and, therefore, accompanies a number of burdensome fees and taxes including: supplemental vehicle registration and licensing fees payable by all New York State drivers, increased fees on all taxicab fares within the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District, and an additional 5% tax on every passenger car rented within the Metropolitan Transportation Commuter District; and

WHEREAS, the MTA supplemental vehicle registration and licensing fees, payable by all New York State drivers with funds going to the MTA for services that may or may not be utilized by the people paying the fees, cost Dutchess County motorists \$3,197,721 in 2013 and will continue to cost them millions more a year unless these fees are eliminated by the State Legislature; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Dutchess County hereby requests the New York State Legislature and Governor adopt legislation which will repeal the supplemental vehicle registration and licensing fees as well as the other MTA related fees immediately; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that should the state be unwilling to repeal the supplemental vehicle registration and licensing fees as well as the other MTA related fees for the entire state or region that it at least do so for the County of Dutchess; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Dutchess County Legislature forward a certified copy of this resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senators Terry Gipson and Greg Ball, Assembly Members Frank Skartados, Didi Barrett, Kevin Cahill, Kieran Lalor and Steve Katz requesting they introduce and adopt legislation which will repeal the supplemental vehicle registration and licensing fees as well as the other MTA related fees immediately.

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STATE OF NEW YORK

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COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of December 2014, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 4th day of December 2014.

## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

□ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED
APPROPRIATION RESOLUTIONS (To be completed by requesting department)
Total Current Year Cost \$
Total Current Year Revenue \$and Source
Source of County Funds <i>(check one)</i> : Existing Appropriations, Contingency, Transfer of Existing Appropriations, Additional Appropriations, Other <i>(explain).</i> Identify Line Items(s):
Related Expenses: Amount \$ Nature/Reason:
Anticipated Savings to County:
Net County Cost (this year): \$400,000  Over Five Years:
Additional Comments/Explanation:  Dutchess County receives a portion of the MTA vehicle surcharges. Repeal of these surcharges would result in an annual estimated cost to the county of \$400,000. This loss in revenue for the county is greatly outweighed by the \$3.2 million dollar benefit to county taxpayers who would no longer be required to bear this burden.
Prepared by: Rachel Kashimer, Budget Office 10/22/14

		Ca	Calendar Year 2013	13			
Fee Description	Beacon	Poughkeepsie	Millbrook	Pawling	Wappingers Falls	TOTALS	Retention
MTA License Original Surcharge	\$4,465.00	\$6,719.00	\$2,555.00	\$1,658.00	\$7,315.00	\$22,712.00	\$2,884.42
MTA License Renewal Surcharge	\$36,800.00	\$66,562.00	\$29,040.00	\$16,255.00	\$89,277.00	\$237,934.00	\$30,217.62
MTA License Permit Surcharge	\$7,948.00	\$16,976.00	\$5,933.00	\$4,330.00	\$19,213.00	\$54,400.00	\$6,908.80
MTA Passenger Registration Surcharge	\$385,050.00	\$611,275.00	\$248,900.00	\$150,600.00	\$771,400.00	\$2,167,225.00	\$275,237.58
MTA Commercial Registration Surcharge	\$53,675.00	\$204,025.00	\$74,550.00	\$37,450.00	\$126,375.00	\$496,075.00	\$63,001.53
MTA Motorcycle Registration Surcharge	\$13,375.00	\$27,975.00	\$15,025.00	\$7,325.00	\$28,950.00	\$92,650.00	\$11,766.55
MTA Heavy Vehicle Registration Surcharge	\$28,000.00	\$27,425.00	\$23,250.00	\$12,025.00	\$36,025.00	\$126,725.00	\$16,094.08
TOTALS:	TOTALS: \$529,313.00	\$960,957.00	\$399,253.00	\$229,643.00	\$1,078,555.00	\$3,197,721.00	\$406,110.57